

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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| <b>ADDRESS TO:</b><br><br><b>Commissioner for Patents<br/>P.O. Box 1450<br/>Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450</b> | Attorney Docket No.: 99-599    |
|   | Application No.: 09/515,796    |
|   | Filing Date: 02/29/2000        |
|   | First Named Inventor: Schuster |
|   | Group Art Unit: 2157           |
|   | Examiner: Salad, A.E.          |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including September 9, 2004.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

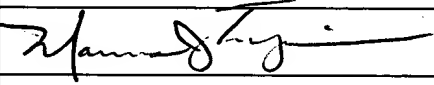
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| <input type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))               | \$       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))              | \$       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$950.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))             | \$       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))             | \$       |

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

### SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Name      | Marcus J. Thymian   |
| Reg. No.  | 43,954  |
| Signature |  |
| Date      | September 9, 2004   |

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